

Remarks

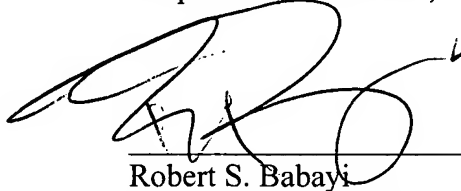
Applicants have cancelled the rejected claims 1-18, 20, 25-35, 39-42, 47-53, 56-72, 74-89, and 91-100 without prejudice thereby rendering all rejections moot. In response to Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter, claims 19, 21-24, 36-38, 43-46, 54, 55, 73, and 90 have been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, with claims 19, 21, 22, 36, 43, 45, 46, 54, 73 and 90 now being the independent claims.

Applicants wish to thank Examiner for the indication of allowability of claims 19, 21-24, 36-38, 43-46, 54, 55, 73, and 90 if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is hereby invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Accordingly, in view of the above amendments, it is believed that the remaining claims of the present invention are in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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